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**Commissioner for Patents**

The reply filed on 25 September 2006 is not fully responsive to the outstanding election requirement mailed on 08 November 2005 because of the following omission(s) or matter(s):

Applicant must include an identification of the species that is elected consonant with the election requirement, and a listing of all claims readable thereon, including any claims subsequently added. In Applicant's election, it was asserted that "at least claims 1-19, 144, 160, 161, 169-174 and 191-192 are generic to Figures 2, 2A, 2B, and 2C, of which claims 1, 144, and 160 are independent." However, an argument simply that a claim is allowable or generic is considered nonresponsive unless accompanied by an election and a listing of the claims readable thereon. Moreover, Applicant's alternative election of thirty claims pursuant to the rejection under 35 USC 112 is not tantamount to a listing of claims readable on the elected species. It is further noted that Applicant's response filed 25 September 2006 satisfied the requirement for information and the rejection under 35 USC 112 accordingly has been withdrawn. However, Applicant has not yet provided a listing of the claims that are readable upon the elected species of the outstanding election requirement.

Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

  
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